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SOX TAKE SEVENTH OF SERIES

ACQUIT CALLINS OF MURDER; JURY OUT SHORT TIME

Negro Who Killed Brother-in-Law Near Norge Year Ago Goes Free After Legal Battle in District Court Here.

SAYS SELF DEFENSE REASON FOR KILLING

Defendant on Stand Says Argument Over War Started Trouble; Claims Deceased Offered Protection.

A jury in district court this morning returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of the State of Oklahoma vs. Isiah Callins, negro, charged with the murder of his brother-in-law, Earl Anderson.

The jury was out only a short time when they returned the verdict acquitting the accused negro. Trial of the case consumed practically the entire day yesterday. Arguments were concluded last night and Callins' fate was placed in the hands of the jury this morning.

The killing of Anderson occurred at the Callins-Anderson home near Norge on September 17, 1918. Since that time, Callins and his family moved to Mangum.

Attorneys Alger and Adrian Melton represented Callins in the case, while William Stacy, county attorney was the only prosecuting lawyer.

Defendant Says Self Defense

The contention of the defense in the case was that Callins killed Anderson in self defense. The state contended that the killing was cold blooded, premeditated murder and was committed feloniously and without cause. The testimony brought out that Anderson and family were living in the same house with the defendant and that the deceased was employed by Callins as a cotton picker.

It was testified to that the argument between the men was over the war question, and that Anderson argued pro-Germanism. The argument, according to the testimony of one witness, reached a climax when Callins said he would report Anderson to the council of defense.

Callins Testifies

Callins, on the stand testified that following the argument in the kitchen of the defendant's home, the deceased threatened to do him bodily injury with a knife and that he said "I will kill you." At this moment, Callins stated on the stand, Anderson left the kitchen and went into his room.

Presuming that Anderson was going after his gun to kill him, Callins asserted he picked up his gun and walked to the door leading into the room occupied by Anderson. The defendant also testified that Anderson made an attempt to get his gun, and that he killed him.

The gun used by Callins, a double barreled shot gun, was displayed at the trial by the state.

Other Testimony Differs

Some of the testimony offered by other witnesses, did not corroborate the testimony that Anderson threatened to do bodily harm to Callins and that the deceased owned or possessed a gun at the time of the killing. When the officers arrived at the home of Callins on the morning of September 19th, 1918, several hours after the killing, a 39 calibre pistol was found on the bed in Anderson's room. Several shells, made for a 32 calibre pistol, were found lying in the center of the bed near the pistol.

County Attorney Stacy contended that the gun was placed on the bed after the killing, for the purpose of creating evidence in favor of the defendant. This fact was never established by testimony on the witness stand. Neither did the defense establish a fact that the gun was placed on the bed by Anderson. This was the mystery in the case. (Continued on Page 5)

AERIAL RACE ON WITH PLANES TO CROSS COUNTRY

70 Planes Entered in Greatest Race of Kind in History; Course is 5,400 Miles Long; Frisco and New York Terminals.

By United Press.

Mineola, N. Y., Oct. 8.—Benedict Crowell, assistant secretary of the navy narrowly escaped death this afternoon when the plane in which he was riding fell 50 feet and turned over. Both Crowell and the pilot were buried beneath the machine but were only shaken.

Racers on Way

Reno, Nev., Oct. 8.—Five airplanes entered in the trans-continental race arrived here on the second lap of the journey. The first two arrived at 9:10 this morning.

By United Press.

New York, Oct. 8.—The greatest aerial race in history began at 9:15 this morning when 70 planes started in the trans-continental flight from New York to San Francisco and return.

Fifty-five of the machines are scheduled to leave Mineola, N. Y., and the others are to get away from San Francisco. It is expected to take twelve days to make the trip as only the net flying time counts.

There are twenty-one stops scheduled at control stations along the route and there will be no night flying. The course is 5,400 miles long.

Planes Leave Frisco

San Francisco, Oct. 8.—The first airplane in the trans-continental flight left the ground this morning at 6:50, from Presidio field.

The plane was a DeHavilland. Fourteen others were to leave for New York at two minute intervals.

NEGRO AT LARGE; OFFICERS THINK MAY BE LOCATED

Lon Hightower, negro, who hit the trail while a district court jury was reaching a verdict declaring him guilty of assault with intent to kill and fixing his punishment at five years imprisonment, has not been apprehended, it was stated today at the sheriff's office.

Walter Jones, deputy sheriff, however, intimated at 1 o'clock today that the whereabouts of the negro was known and that he would probably be placed under arrest some time today.

Hightower left the court room Monday at the conclusion of his trial. The negro's bond was in effect and he was, therefore, at liberty to leave the court room. Hightower disappeared soon after the jury had left the court room to decide his fate.

It was reported Monday night that Hightower engaged a service car to take him to a place four miles south of Anadarko. Officers and the negro's bondsmen started the search for the man at this place.

LABOR HAS PROGRAM FOR "PEACE PARLEY"

Washington, Oct. 8.—Organized labor has finished framing the program for presentation to the industrial "peace conference" which opened its third session this morning. The profit sharing and short week were not included.

Mrs. Clint G. Steinberger and brother, T. H. Cheairs will leave this evening for an extended visit in Clarkdale, Miss., Memphis, Tenn., and other points in the south.

SCORE BY INNINGS:

CHICAGO:

CINCINNATI:

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CINCINNATI	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	7	4

PILGRIM CASE IS CONTINUED 'TILL TERM IN JANUARY

Charge is Murder Against Rush Springs Farmer; Witnesses Absent; Jury Dismissed Until Friday; Docket Goes On.

The case of the State of Oklahoma vs. J. P. Pilgrim, Rush Springs farmer, charged with the murder of his neighbor, L. T. Graham, was continued in district court this morning until the January, 1919, term. Reason for continuance was the absence of several of the witnesses for the defense.

It is alleged in the information filed against Pilgrim that he murdered Graham on or about September 17, 1918.

Jury is Dismissed.

District Judge Linn this morning dismissed the jury until 8 o'clock Friday morning, at which time the trial of jury cases will be resumed. There will be no cases disposed of until Friday, exclusive of those who want to enter pleas of guilty, and the civil cases that are arbitrarily settled.

Yesterday, W. O. Ellington entered a plea of guilty to the charge of playing in a game of poker. He was fined \$100.

Action was taken on the following cases yesterday:

State of Oklahoma vs. Clarence Whitener, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, continued by agreement.

State of Oklahoma vs. Clifford Gray, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, continued by agreement.

State of Oklahoma vs. Sule Gurch, charged with grand larceny. Pleaded guilty to petty larceny and William Stacey, county attorney, asked that the case be dismissed.

SILK HAT GIVES WAY TO HELMET

By United Press.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 8.—Thousands of workers poured in at the gates of steel mills in this district today. The operators claimed gains of hundreds.

By United Press.

Gary, Ind., Oct. 8.—Silk hat officialdom yielded to the steel helmet to make Gary the "model city" under military control. It was a kindly rule though the army officers called it martial.

City officials were permitted to continue their duties, that were called military. However, in case of further disturbances army officers will assume entire control, withdrawing the privileges that are now left to the city authorities.

CARPENTIER REFUSES

By United Press.

Paris, Oct. 8.—Georges Carpentier, French heavy weight champion is reported to have refused an offer of \$50,000 from American promoters for a mill with Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion of the world. The proposed match was to have been a six round no-decision affair.

By United Press.

Cincinnati, Oct. 8.—Bright weather greeted the Cincinnati Reds and the Chicago White Sox for the seventh game of the world series today. There was a slight breeze with only a touch of crispness in the air. It was almost ideal base ball weather. The Sox had their backs to the wall and were determined to make a last stand. If Cincinnati wins today's game, the championship of the world is theirs.

Announce Batteries

The batteries were announced at the park as follows: For Chicago, Cicotte and Schalk, for Cincinnati, Sallee and Rariden.

First Inning

Sox: John Collins, the first man up greeted Sallee with a single. Ed Collins laid down a bunt and sacrificed J. Collins to second. Weaver flied out to center field. Jackson with two strikes called on him, singled to left field and J. Collins scored. Felsch hit the first ball pitched for a single and Jackson went to second. Gandil hit to short and was out at first. Three hits, one run, no errors.

Reds: Rath hit to Eddie Collins. The Sox changed their defensive front. John Collins went to center field and Felsch switched to right. Cicotte tightened up on Groh. Roush grounded to second and Rath was forced at second. Ed Collins to Risberg. No hits, no runs, no errors.

Second Inning

Sox: Risberg grounded out Kopf to Daubert. Schalk flied to right. Cicotte grounded to Kopf and was out at first. No hits, no runs, no errors.

Reds: Duncan hit a long fly to center and the offering was smothered by John Collins. Kopf singled to left. Neale flied out to Weaver at third. Kopf was out stealing second. One hit, no runs, no errors.

Third Inning

Sox: John Collins came up for the second time and again poked a single. Eddie Collins beat out a slow grounder to short for a safe hit. J. Collins going to second. Weaver grounded to second and John Collins was advanced to third. Rath to Groh. Weaver was called out when Ed Collins interfered with the throw. Jackson singled to left and John Collins scored. Felsch forced Jackson at second base. Two hits, one run, no errors.

Reds: Wingo, first up drew a pass on four balls. Sallee flied out to left field. Rath grounded to second and Wingo was forced at second. Rath to Kopf. Daubert grounded to pitcher and was out at first. No hits no runs, no errors.

Fourth Inning

Sox: Gandil flied to right field for the first out. Risberg grounded to Daubert and was out, unassisted. Schalk bunted to third and beat it out for a safe hit. Cicotte flied to center for the third. One hit, no runs, no errors.

Reds: Groh hit a hot grounder to second and was thrown out. Collins to Gandil. Roush hit the first ball pitched at Eddie Collins and was the second out to Gandil. Duncan grounded to Buck Weaver and was thrown out to Gandil. No hits, no runs, no errors.

Fifth Inning

Sox: John Collins hit a high fly to left field and was out. With the call three-two on Ed Collins, he singled to right field. Weaver hit to third base and Groh fumbled. Weaver was safe at first. Jackson grounded (Continued on page 5.)

WEATHER FORECAST

For Oklahoma.

Tonight and Thursday partly cloudy to cloudy.

Local Temperature.

Maximum 73; minimum 57. Rain, 40.

RAINS OF WEEK PROVE BIG HELP WHEAT GROWERS

Sowing is Stopped Temporarily; Also Last Fields Not Threshed Out; Much Cotton in Field; Little Damage Feared.

That the rains that have visited Grady county this week have stopped the sowing of wheat, as well as some threshing machines is the statement of farmers who were in Chickasha today. The condition of drills sowing wheat and threshers threshing out the last fields at the same time is one that has not visited Grady county in many years.

The Grady wheat crop that is now being marketed was so great that the threshers were unable to get it out of the field before the fall planting this year. Growers state however, that the wheat that is still in the shock is in fair condition and the last fields are now being threshed.

Much Cotton in Field.

The rain will have no material effect on the cotton that is yet in the field, with the exception of slightly lowering the grade, is the statement of cotton men here today. They pointed out that the rains were not accompanied by winds that would blow the cotton out or tend to beat the plant to the earth. The rain has practically stopped the cotton picking over the entire county, however.

The bulk of the Grady county cotton crop is still in the field, cotton men estimate. It is stated that little more than half of the crop is picked at this time. Little fear is expressed that the wet weather will seriously damage the crop that is still in the field.

Farmers believe that the rain will prove of the greatest benefit, as it will put the wheat ground in the pink of condition for planting and will start the fall with the first moisture for a "good season" in the ground.

DEFINITE STEPS TO GET WOOD IN RACE

By United Press.

Chicago, Oct. 8.—Definite steps to bring out Major General Leonard Wood as a candidate for president were expected to be taken today.

John T. King, republican national committeeman of Connecticut, is credited with being the manager of the Wood boom.

Mr. King arrived here today to meet backers of Gen. Wood from the middle west.

FOOT BALLER INJURED

By United Press.

Chicago, Oct. 8.—Assistant Coach Page of Chicago university is laid up with a broken leg after scrimmage. He was Coach Stage's first assistant and scout.

YOUNG BOXER DIES

By United Press.

New York, Oct. 8.—Myer Ellis, aged 20, a preliminary boxer died in a hospital here following a match with Ray Doyle last night. Ellis was rendered unconscious when his head struck the floor of the ring after a blow from Doyle. Doyle is charged with manslaughter.

PHYSICIANS HAVE HARD TIME KEEP WILSON RESTING

President Improves Slowly Says Bulletin; Big Problem Keep Chief's Mind Off Topics of Government, Stated.

By United Press.

Washington, Oct. 8.—"The president continues to improve slowly," said a statement issued by his physicians at noon.

"He is stronger than at any time since his illness began," the statement added. The statement was signed "Grayson, Ruffin, Stitt."

Improvement Continues

By United Press.

Washington, Oct. 8.—Continued improvement in the condition of President Wilson, who is suffering from nervous exhaustion, was noted during the night at the White House, according to unofficial information gathered at the White House early this morning.

At the time the report was made, however, Dr. Grayson, the president's personal physician with the other physicians in consultation, had not started their morning examination. The president's keen interest in the industrial conference in which the president intended to participate, makes it difficult for the physicians to keep his mind off the subject and at rest, as they have prescribed.

NEW CLASS WILL OPEN NEXT WEEK ANNOUNCEMENT

Registration for the first aid and home nursing classes being conducted here under the auspices of the Red Cross is in progress this week at the high school for the classes that are to start next Monday and next Tuesday.

There will be classes in the mornings at 9 o'clock, in the afternoon at 4 o'clock and in the evenings at 7:30 o'clock. The courses are being given free through the co-operation of local physicians and anyone who desires to become members of these classes are requested to register in the high school this week. The initial classes in these subjects class this week.

It was announced that the class in first aid that was scheduled to have been given at the high school last night, but which was postponed, owing to the rain, will be held tonight at 7:30 in the office of Dr. A. B. Leeds, second floor of the First National bank building.

Evers Predicts Win For Reds in Battle With Chicago Today

By JOHNNY EVERS

(Written for the United Press)

Cincinnati, Oct. 8.—The world series should end with the playing of the seventh game this afternoon with the Reds being crowned champions of the world.

Slim Sallee is likely to be the selection of Pat Moran and it is altogether probable that he will be opposed by Eddie Cicotte. Sallee won his first game and I believe he can win again by pitching the same kind of base ball. On the other hand Cicotte has nothing new to show the Reds. They have beaten him twice and I look for him to go down in defeat for the third time today.

YEAR AGO TODAY 142ND INFANTRY HIT ENEMY LINES

Local Man Who Was Chaplain of Famous Outfit Tells How Oklahoma and Texas Boys Met and Defeated Picked Hun Troops.

FRENCH EVACUATION LEAVES FLANK OPEN

Advancing Troops Swept by Withering Cross-Fire from Boche Machine Guns; Americans Capture 520 Prisoners

How the 142nd regiment of the 36th division, with which outfit were many Chickasha and Grady county boys, went over the top for the first time one year ago this morning, was recalled today by C. H. Barnes of the Walker refinery, who was a first lieutenant and chaplain of that regiment.

Mr. Barnes in relating the story of that first plunge of the 142nd, indicated the probable reason for the excessive casualties of the first day declaring that the evacuation of the village of St. Etienne by the French on the night previous, without advising the Americans, enabled the Boche to take a terrific toll from the Texas and Oklahoma men as they advanced.

They're Off.

"Zero hour was set at 5:15," said Mr. Barnes. "Previous to that time our artillery laid down a heavy barrage, but the officers were not advised of the evacuation of St. Etienne by the French, with the result that the artillery fire went entirely over the town and was, I presume, largely wasted. The Boche moved into the town during the night and the place was literally alive with machine guns.

"The 132nd was to advance, not directly upon St. Etienne, but the graveyard, which was on the left of the town, was our immediate left flank. Scores of machine guns were in place in the graveyard and when our boys hopped off, a withering fire from this graveyard swept us from a flanking position. The farther we advanced, the more of a flank fire they poured in on us. Despite this the boys once started, kept going.

Casualties Are Heavy

"We couldn't figure out where the fire was coming from. The men kept up a slow advance. We first took a little rise in the ground after which the men went out onto a level stretch of ground, dotted with scrub cedars. It was here that the Boche got in such deadly work. It was about 800 yards wide and as the men dodged from shell hole to shell hole or advanced, crawling to take some machine gun nest, we got that hot fire from the flank as well as from the front. The boys went down by the hundreds, but the outfit never wavered. That night we had 657 men killed and wounded out of 1715 and 34 officers killed and wounded out of 58.

"It was possibly after 7 o'clock when we discovered that St. Etienne was not occupied by the French, but by Germans. Runners were of course dispatched at once with the information, but it takes time to get word back to headquarters and orders returned to the front, hence it was about 10 o'clock before our regiment received orders to dig in. Through all those hours our men battled forward, regardless of casualties and we were actually beating the best of the German army, the Prussian guards. That night we had captured a total of 520 prisoners and 50 machine guns, and God only knows how many Germans our boys killed.

Fighting Continues

"After we dug in, there followed three days and nights of the most bitter fighting of the war. The Germans sent over everything they had. For 48 hours the artillery bombardment from the Germans was continuous. There was not an instant when hundreds of shells were not bursting in or near our lines. It (Continued on page 5.)